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activities of the Board, the different types of model houses on sites of various dimensions were exhibited as also the different layouts proposed for execution, etc.

(xv) Kolar Gold Fields Sanitary Board.

372. The term of the Kolar Gold Fields Sanitary Board, which was reconstituted for a period of one year from 1st December 1950 was extended for a period of seven months from 1st December 1951. There were twenty-two members on the Board. Seven ordinary meetings and four special meetings were held during the year and the average attendance was 15.

Finance.

373. The total receipts inclusive of the opening balance and the total expenditure of the Sanitary Board were Rs. 6,29,340 and Rs. 4,89,854, respectively. The realisations under the heads "House and shop taxes," "Octroi" and "Markets" were Rs. 65,764, Rs. 1,56,568 and Rs. 83,065, respectively.

374. Out of a total demand of Rs. 6,42,544 under cesses and taxes, a sum of Rs. 5,25,692 was collected, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,16,852 under the heads Mohatarfa, Vehicle tax, Ground rent on Cooly colony, etc.

375. The Kolar Gold Fields Sanitary Board Boys' and Girls' High Schools continued to be under the management of the Sanitary Board.

376. The improvement works sanctioned at a total cost of Rs. 4,83,334 were under various stages of progress during the year.

(xvi) Davangere City Municipality.

377. The area of the Davangere City Municipality is 7·5 square miles and the population is 56,045 according to the 1951 census.

378. The term of the Davangere City Municipal Council, which had been extended by a period of one year with effect from 1st January 1951 was further extended for a period of six months from 1st January 1952 to enable the reconstitution of the Municipal Council on the basis of adult franchise with single member constituency. The

total strength of the Council was 25 of which 20 are elected non-officials and 5 nominated non-official members.

379. During the year, 18 ordinary, 21 special and 6 adjourned meetings were held. The average attendance of members at the meeting was 18·5.

380. The total number of houses and sites in Davangere City was 12,544 (12,387) and 3,528 (3,528), respectively. The increase in the number of houses during the year was due to the fact that a number of fresh and decent houses have sprung up in the Kasturba Extension, in Prince Extension, in Vinoba Nagar Colony and in other various parts of the City.

381. The total receipts during the year were Rs. 13,89,155 (Rs. 17,18,153) and the expenditure was Rs. 14,39,867 (Rs. 16,81,640). The closing balance at the end of the year was Rs. 8,611 as against Rs. 59,023 in the previous year.

382. The total demand under all heads during the year amounted to Rs. 8,19,874. Of this, a sum of Rs. 6,12,885 was collected, leaving a balance of Rs. 2,06,989 yet to be collected at the end of the year. The percentage of collection to total demand under taxes and rates only works out to 65 as against 64 in the previous year. The revision of assessment was given effect to during the year.

383. A sum of Rs. 3,90,405 was spent on Public Works during the year as against Rs. 4,57,694 in the previous year. The following were some of the important works carried out during the year :—

(1) Important roads aggregating a length of 5½ miles were metalled at a cost of Rs. 42,477.

(2) New roads of length about 3 miles and 4 furlongs were formed at a cost of Rs. 6,040.

(3) Gravelling of several roads to a length of 9½ miles was executed at a cost of Rs. 12,149.

(4) Sylk pattern drains to a length of 17,745 r.ft. were executed at a cost of Rs. 46,694.

(5) To combat dust nuisance, roads to a length of 1 mile and 5 furlongs were asphalted at a cost of Rs. 8,208.

(6) Construction of the New Municipal Office building at a cost of Rs. 1,36,500 was completed during the year.